

"IRON JOHN."

John Lawrence, who appeared as an outlying and deserted member of the country refused to pay his land-tax. Attended only by a single orderly—he for seldom took more—John Lawrence rode further, a distance of some thirty miles, very early in the morning to the command or to understand the reasons for the order. The gates were shut and barred, and not even his strength was able to force an entrance. What was he to do? To go back would be a con-

as if nothing had happened. He soon, however, found an opportunity of slipping away to his private room, and with his heart in his mouth, sent for his hired car and asked the driver to take him to the post office box which was in his waistcoat pocket some time ago? "Yes Sahib," the man replied, "Jibbia (the native word for it), I found it and put it in one of your boxes." "Bring it here," said the Sahib. Upon this the old native went to

leading English officers to rally to his standard, supporting him against all odds; that it was the personal endeavor to the blood-stained honor of the Afghan crown, Lawrence and other statesmen like him have held that to take any of these steps was to go half way to meet the dangers their opponents professed to fear; that it was to arouse the alarm and hatred of a people already deeply wronged, passionately attached to their freedom and their homes, and detesting the sight of a foreigner; that it was to destroy a natural frontier, and make an indefinite one which would rob an English victory of half its fruits, and turn a defeat into utter ruin; that it was to employ the Indian army on a service which they hate, and to concentrate the attention of English and Indian statesmen on matters over which they are not well equipped to decide; that it was to exercise little appreciable influence; and that it was to waste money on barren

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